

OLD LAS VEGAS MORMON FORT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

The old Las Vegas Mormon Fort was established by the first permanent non-native settlers in the Las Vegas Valley when Mormon missionaries built the adobe structure in 1855. The missionaries successfully farmed the area by diverting water from the creek. Today the park includes a remnant of the original adobe fort with interpretive displays, and a new visitor center. Historic interpretation is and will remain the focus of the park. The Old Las Vegas Mormon Fort is located in downtown Las Vegas and is open year around.

Volunteers are needed year around to assist with operation of the park including conducting historical tours, operation of the visitor center, and in conducting living history programs for park visitors. In 2005 the park is celebrating the tercentennial (150th anniversary) and the 100th anniversary of establish of the City of Las Vegas.

Volunteers are needed to assist to make things happen on a daily basis in the park. Volunteers are needed to help staff and operate the visitor center and to assist with park interpretive programs. Typical duties include:

- Lead or assist with historical tours
- Demonstrate Living History programs
- Demonstrate pioneer games, activities, & demonstrations
- Assist to operate the visitor center, to include tours, routine cleaning of building, greeting visitors, explain history, lead tours, etc.
- Answer questions about history of park, give directions, etc.
- Assist to operate gift sales area
- Explain Mormon History, and other history of park
- May assist with historical garden as planted by Mormon colonists
- Train other volunteers in operation of park
- Assist with grounds & facility maintenance and routines

Park needs year-around assist for operation and maintenance. Positions maybe part, or full time depending on volunteer's schedule. If interested please contact the park, or the Division office for an application.